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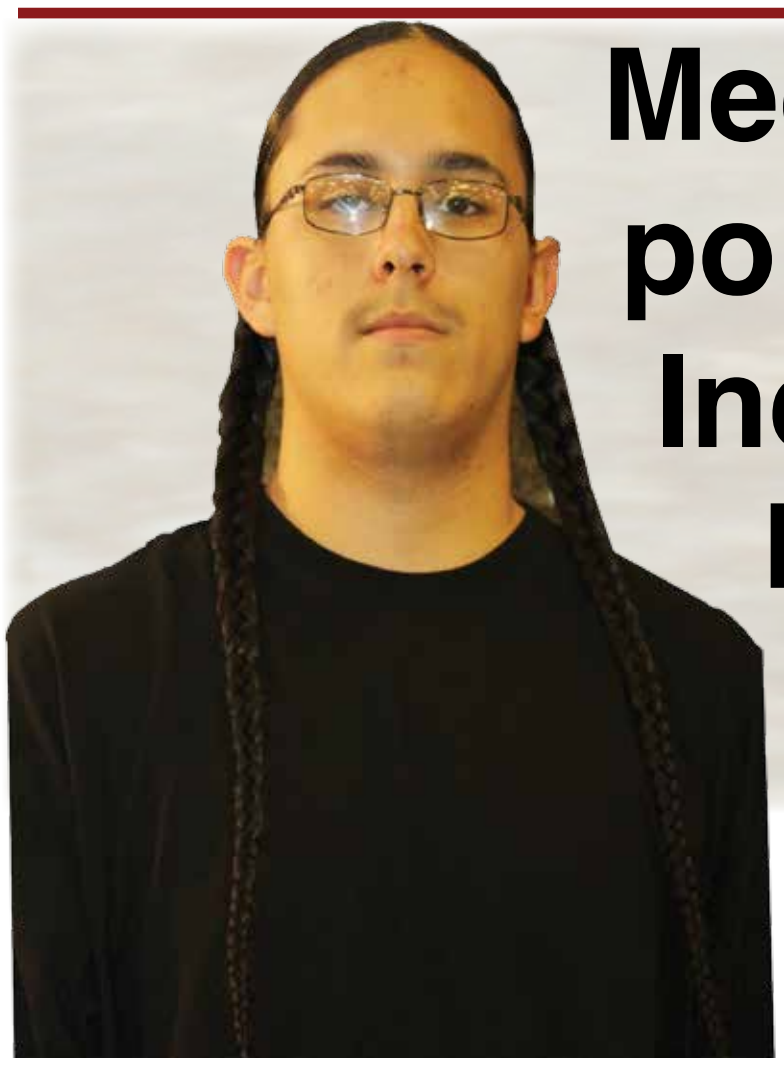

Medals given to police who shot Indian teen, Parents object to award

By Brandon Ecoffey
Native Sun News

CLINTON, Okla. — Two recipients of the Oklahoma Sheriff's Association Medal of Honor were also involved in the shooting death of Mah-hi-Vist GoodBlanket. The parents of GoodBlanket feel that both the shooting of their son and the awards given are unjustified.

In December of 2013, the GoodBlankets had called the police to their home after their son Mah-hi-Vist (18) had raised alarm after slipping in to what they have called an Oppositional Defiant Disorder episode.

"We called the police to protect him," said his mother Melissa. "By the time the police had arrived he had calmed down and was in there with his girlfriend."

The GoodBlankets were waiting in their car when police deputies first arrived at their home. According to them, two officers entered the home through a broken window and then within seconds exited through the same window. The GoodBlankets say that there was then a second entry that ended with the shooting of Mah-hi-Vist seconds after officers breached the house.

The officers have claimed that Mah-hi-Vist had threatened officers with a knife and that they were forced to shoot him.

The GoodBlankets say that the claims of officers do not reflect what they saw happen from their vantage point in the driveway where they say they could see in to the windows of the home.

Custer County Sheriffs had been accompanied by two Oklahoma Highway Patrolmen in the final moments of Mah-hi-Vist's as he was in the home with his girlfriend. Autopsy reports show that Mah-hi-Vist was shot 7 times, once in the head, and twice by a Taser gun.

"His girlfriend came running out on the yard screaming that they had shot him," said Melissa GoodBlanket, the mother of Mah-hi-Vist.

Melissa says that the shooting was an example of excessive force and feels that the shooting was unnecessary.

The officers were eventually cleared of any wrongdoing and returned to work after a short leave of absence. So when the Oklahoma Sheriff's association chose Dillon Mach and Chance Avery to be recipients of the Medal of Honor "In recognition of (their) performance above and beyond the call of duty, while disregarding your own personal safety and exhibiting exceptional courage in a life threatening situation," the parents of Mah-hi-Vist were "angered."

"It makes me think of the soldiers riding through Denver after Sand Creek," said Wilbur GoodBlanket, the father of Mah-hi-Vist GoodBlanket. "It was like they were being recognized for shooting our son."

Instead of just accepting the claims of officers, the family has not let up on their efforts to seek what they feel is justice for their son and have organized several rallies including one planned for Sept. 26 at the Oklahoma State capitol.

"We appreciate any support that people may give and not just from Native people. We welcome support from all people and races," said Melissa GoodBlanket.

For more information on the efforts of the GoodBlanket family you can visit their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/TouchingCloud-Goodblanket.

Courtesy photos

L-R: Photo of Dillon Mach, and Chance Avery, both of the Custer County Sheriff's Dept., involved in the shooting death of Mah-hi-vist Goodblanket on Dec. 21, 2013.

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Government makes buy-back offers on Indian lands

HELENA, Mont. (AP) _ The U.S. government has offered to buy parcels of land from nearly 2,100 landowners on the Flathead Indian Reservation as part of an effort to consolidate land that has been split into fractional interests over the years.

The Daily Inter Lake reports the Interior Department on Monday made offers totaling $8.3 million to Flathead landowners. They have until Oct. 24 to accept the offers.

The voluntary program is part of a $3.4 billion settlement of a class-action lawsuit that claimed Interior Department officials mismanaged Indian trust money.

The program aims to consolidate as many parcels as possible after an 1887 law split tribal lands into individual allotments that were inherited by multiple heirs.

Purchase offers already have been made for land on the Northern Cheyenne reservation and the Crow reservation offers are expected to be made soon.

Need health coverage, what you may not know about the Affordable Care Act

Benefits Coordinators with the Clinton Service Unit (CSU) are helping uninsured patients gain affordable health insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace, also known as Health Insurance "Exchange". While many Native Americans receive health care through Indian Health Service (IHS), the Affordable Care Act (ACA) brings new options for health coverage and has increased access to quality care for many Native Americans.

Through assisting patients in finding health care coverage, CSU benefit coordinators have seen first-hand the affordable options available through the Health Insurance Marketplace.

"We have an individual who travels over 200 miles from Texas to receive care at our clinic. When I spoke with this patient, they stated they did not have health insurance and did not qualify for disability. I assisted this patient in applying for health insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. We were able to enroll the patient in a health insurance plan for only four cents a month. The patient was extremely happy to gain this health insurance coverage at such a low rate," said CSU Benefits Coordinator Teresa Murray.

Donna Hill, CSU benefits coordinator had a similar experience. "I had a family come in experiencing some problems sending in documents to prove Indian eligibility. The family was initially told their monthly premium would run $350. This was not a fee the family could afford. I was able to work with the family and walk them through the Marketplace enrollment process. The family was able to enroll in a health insurance plan for one cent a month. The patient stated if it wasn't for me making her feel comfortable with the Marketplace, she would never have called. This patient is facing some serious health issues, and very grateful to now be covered with health insurance," Murray said.

Once an individual or family enrolls in a Marketplace Health Plan and coverage starts, the insurance can assist to cover medical costs for services like going to the doctor and having a prescription filled at the pharmacy. While 2014 Marketplace Open Enrollment ended on March 31, there still may be a few options to obtain health care coverage through the Special Enrollment Period.

The Special Enrollment Period allows individuals and families to sign up for health coverage in the Marketplace for a period of 60 days following certain life events involving: change in family status (i.e. marriage or birth of a child), or loss of other health coverage. The Special Enrollment Period extends to those who may have encountered a complex situation related to applying in the Marketplace.

American Indian (AI) and Alaska Native (AN) members of federally recognized tribes can enroll in Marketplace coverage at any time during the year. There is no limited enrollment period, and they can change plans as often as once a month. AI/AN who buy private insurance in the

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Katrina Cardwell attains a Doctor of Chiropractic Degree

Katrina Cardwell graduated from Parker University College of Chiropractic on Saturday, Aug. 16, 2014 in Dallas, Texas.

Cardwell completed a rigorous program, which included an internship at one of Parker University's Chiropractic Wellness Clinics and at Flanery Family Chiropractic. Chiropractic students complete numerous hours of training in physiology, anatomy, orthopedics and diagnosis.

Cardwell earned a Bachelor's of Business Administration from the University of Central Oklahoma in 2006; and a Bachelor's of Science degree from Parker University in 2014, concurrent with the Doctor of Chiropractic degree.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes Department of Education has provided scholarship assistance to Cardwell. She was honored with a pendleton blanket, for her outstanding accomplishment.

Cardwell is the daughter of Steve Cardwell and Carol Eddy and is a native of Burns Flat, Okla. Her grandmother is Marcy (Whiteshield) Cardwell, formerly of Hammon, Okla.

Her great-grandparents are the late Henry Whiteshield and Blanche (Hart) Whiteshield of the Red Moon Community of Hammon, Okla.

Cardwell is a member of our Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes.

Submitted photos

Above: L-R: Cheyenne and Arapaho Education Executive Director, Funston Whiteman, presents Katrina Cardwell with a Pendleton blanket alongside Higher Education Counselor, Wanda Whiteman in Dallas, Texas.

Right: Katrina Cardwell graduating from Parker University College of Chiropractic on Aug. 16, 2014.

Rally planned for Sept. 26, Oklahoma State Capitol

By Melissa Goodblanket

Photo by Rosemary Stephens

Parents of Mah-hi-vist Goodblanket, Wilbur and Melissa, continue to seek justice in the shooting death of their son by law enforcement on Dec. 21, 2013. They are also dedicated to bringing awareness to the growing number of youth deaths by law enforcement throughout the U.S.

We hope you will join us on Sept. 26 at the State Capitol. Speakers at the rally will include Chief Jason Goodblanket, Alecia Onzahwah, Idle No More, David Ortiz, AIM, Ida Hoffman and Jesse Robbins, Red Eagle group.

Since December 2013, we have rallied in Arapaho, at the State Capital, marched through Clinton and we rally again at the State Capital building, South Plaza Friday, Sept. 26, 2014 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. We welcome all to come and stand with us. We encourage and welcome Governor Eddie Hamilton, and his administration, and all Tribal legislators to join us.

As Wilbur is a member of the Kit Fox Society we call for all Society Members and Chiefs to attend and make your presence known

The sacrifice of life through our son, presents this opportunity to initiate change. We have shared our story and concerns to many including the ACLU, members of various directors of AIM, National journalists, state representatives, senators, TICR, SPIRIT, Idle No More and others. Together, as one voice, we can make a difference for our future generations.

Just recently the Oklahoma President of the NAACP, Anthony Douglas, has joined with us in our pursuit to change the senseless killings of our people, no matter their color, their race, our young people throughout this country.

I wish to express myself to those of you who will witness me at this time. Since the senseless shooting death of my son, Mah-hi-vist, the path of justice and truth has revealed and continues to reveal the convoluted laws written, initiated and upheld at the local, State and National level that protect those who are in place to serve and protect life.

Within this State of Oklahoma, known as Oklahoma-Native America (Oklahoma meaning Red People) acts are in place to make it more than challenging to acquire case files on deaths of individuals that are killed by the acts of law enforcement and those who expire while in police custody.

This fact is especially true when the state institution of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigators (OSBI) are the investigative party. Having said that, these atrocities will continue across this country until people of all colors rise to the occasion and face the opportunity to change the system.

Our Tribal governments have the power to write letters of demand to the local authorities within our communities, letters to the state governor, the state attorney general, to the same offices held nationally including the NAACP, ACLU, just as I have done. As a tribe our voices create a larger voice and show we stand for what is right and just. We are all a people of integrity, honor, compassion and respect for life. At least that is what my teachings were and that is how I understand those who have gone before me. Change is inevitable, and change is coming swiftly.

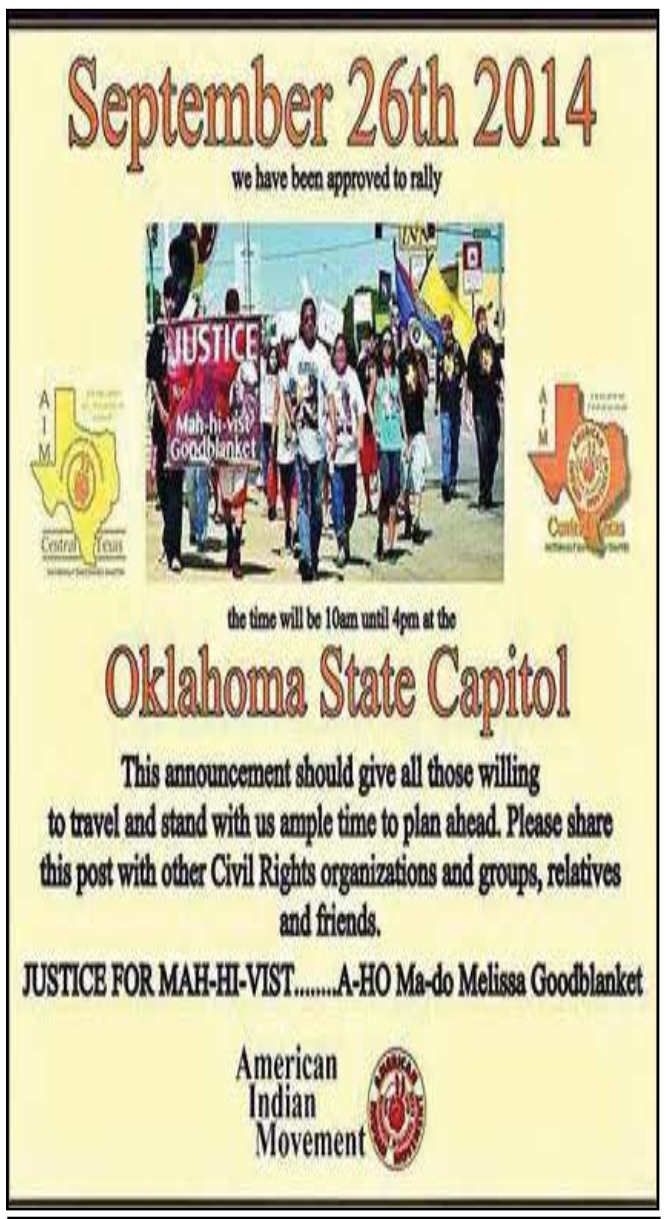
What change would you choose? To live in a paramilitary country where freedom of choice is abolished? Or would you choose to live on a planet that clearly shows a healing and renewal of morality that embraces those qualities of integrity, compassion, honor and respect for life.

As we rise and greet a new day, it is a privilege to be blessed with the breath of life. Yet so many are so caught up in a tangled web of power where most of their thoughts are entertained by greed and materialistic whimsy. What does it take to move our people out of fear consciousness and into a knowing that rises from our soul, the seat of our authentic self?

Of course we are human beings learning on this platform of Earth. Have we forgotten that our agreement is to take care of this marvelous blue planet? While wars rage in other lands we become complacent and assume those atrocities won't touch us, assumption is the sign of trouble. And paramilitary tactics are here and becoming more commonplace. If we sit in total silence and contemplate we will hear the voice of our soul and know to prepare for the changes that are upon us.

Through the energy of love and the brilliant light it creates using collective consciousness (one mind) we can each shift the darkness into light and witness positive change and healing for the planet and all of her inhabitants. Thoughts are an action and focus is powerful. We are multi-dimensional beings who can accomplish great things through limitless thinking. Imagine multitudes of people rising up all across this continent standing for truth, justice, the renewal of integrity, compassion and respect for life. Those thoughts empower me and hold me to the path Mah-hi-vist has placed me on.

We are grateful for all of you for the support you show. This path is not ours alone, it is for all of us. This path is for the future and those who have yet to come.



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College Success	Wednesday	11:00am-11:50am
C&A Constitution (Webinar)	Wednesday	2:30pm-4:15pm
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Will be offering free Defensive Driving Course

To All Tribal Members.

The Cheyenne-Arapaho Transportation Safety Program will be offering free Defensive Driving Courses to all Tribal members. The Defensive Driving Course will not only make you aware of your driving behaviors/habits but it will also reduce points off of your driving record and, depending on your insurance provider, will also reduce costs on your insurance premiums.

Here is the schedule for the Defensive Driving Courses for all Tribal members:

Saturday, September 20, 2014 at the NAC Bldg. in Concho, OK from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Saturday, September 27, 2014 at the Watonga Community Hall in Watonga, OK from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

To All Tribal Youth Ages 15-24

The Cheyenne-Arapaho Transportation Safety Program will be providing the Tribal youth with the ALIVE @ 25 classes. The participants do not need to have their learner's permit or a driver's license prior to taking the class. Alive @ 25 is designed to be an early intervention program to help prevent traffic violations, collisions, and/or fatalities for young drivers ages 15-24.

Here is the schedule that we have thus far:

October 16, El Reno, OK. From 10:00am to 3:00pm. The location will be at the Redlands Community College Room S-113.

October 17, 2014 at the Hammon School in Hammon, OK from 10:00 to 3:00pm.

October 18, 2014 in Canton, Ok from 10:00am to 3:00pm. The location will be at the Canton High School. "The Pink Room" N.E. corner room by the cafeteria

October 20, 2014 in Clinton, OK from 10:00am to 3:00pm. The location will be at the Clinton High School, by the library.

For more information or to sign up for any of these classes/courses, please contact the Transportation Safety Program at 405-422-7432 ext.27596 or e-mail to: etahdooahnippah@c-a-tribes.org

Lone Bear's Family and the Sand Creek Massacre

This article is part of a series by the National Park Service concerning the 150th anniversary of the Sand Creek Massacre.

Lone Bear, long a friend of white society, tried to secure peace across the Colorado Plains in 1864.

U.S. Army Colonel John Chivington remarked on his conduct as a prominent Cheyenne Peace Chief and "wrote out a certificate of [Lone Bear's] good character, stating that he was a friendly Indian."

Following negotiations with Territorial Governor John Evans, Lone Bear came to the peace village at Sand Creek, which Chivington and his men attacked on Nov. 29, 1864.

Lone Bear's daughter, Walking Woman, married John Prowers, a local landowner and settler. Prowers testified that, "I was taken prisoner one Sunday evening, about sundown, by men of company E, 1st Cavalry of Colorado, by orders of Colonel Chivington and not allowed to leave the house for two nights and a day and a half ... because I had an Indian family. The colonel commanding thought I might communicate some news to the Indians encamped on Sand Creek."

Even his association with white society could not protect Lone Bear; during the chaos of the massacre, soldiers killed Lone Bear.

In the aftermath of Sand Creek, Lone Bear's family relocated to Indian Territory (present-day Oklahoma). Walking Woman stayed in Colorado's Arkansas Valley, becoming an area matriarch under the name of Amache Prowers.

During World War II, the federal government interned Japanese-Americans near Granada, Colo., a camp soon nicknamed after her.

Now a national historic landmark, Camp Amache connects the experiences of the Cheyenne and Arapaho at Sand Creek to those of Japanese-Americans in World War II.

To find out more about Lone Bear and the Sand Creek Massacre, as well as read other articles, visit www.nps.gov/sand or visit the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site outside of Eads, Colo.

More than 40 journalism groups urge president to stop excessive controls on public information

Journalism and open government groups called on President Obama to stop practices in federal agencies that prevent important information from getting to the public.

The national organizations, including Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) and Native American Journalists Association (NAJA) sent a letter to Obama urging changes to policies that constrict information flow to the public, including prohibiting journalists from communicating with staff without going through public information offices, requiring government PIOs to vet interview questions and monitoring interviews between journalists and sources.

"The practices have become more and more pervasive throughout America, preventing information from getting to the public in an accurate and timely matter," said David Cuillier, president of the Society of Professional Journalists. "The president pledged to be the most transparent in history. He can start by ending these practices now."

The letter outlines other specific examples of the excessive information control, considered by some as a form of censorship:

• Officials blocking reporters' requests to talk to specific staff people;

• Excessive delays in answering interview requests that stretch past reporters' deadlines;

• Officials conveying information "on background," refusing to give reporters what should be public information unless they agree not to say who is speaking.

• Federal agencies blackballing reporters who write critically of them.

Never before has such a broad-based coalition of journalism and good-governance organizations spoken out on this issue. The growing number of examples of "mediated access" have not just frustrated journalists but have led to specific cases of important information not reaching the public.

"Our members find that U.S. Environmental Protection Agency press staff routinely block them from getting needed information, even in a public health crisis, even when the agency is rolling out new regulations and it's important to localize the story," said Beth Parke, executive director of the Society of Environmental Journalists. "Anytime officials suppress information or downplay scientific findings, they are interfering with the public's right to know. When reporters are ignored, and access is denied, news stories suffer and the public is cheated."

In addition to the letter, the organizations provided the White House with resources on the issue and a list of obstruction examples.

They asked the administration to set up an avenue through which such incidents can be reported. SPJ and SEJ urged journalists to join them in fighting these trends in public and private entities at the national, state and local levels. News outlets can resist these trends by publishing editorials, explaining the tactics in news stories and openly resisting them whenever they occur.

They may also submit their own comments to the White House web page. Journalists are invited to sign up for further information by emailing kfoxhall@verizon.net.

Founded in 1909 as Sigma Delta Chi, SPJ promotes the free flow of information vital to a well-informed citizenry; works to inspire and educate the next generation of journalists; and protects First Amendment guarantees of freedom of speech and press. For more information about SPJ, please visit www.spj.org.

Dana Neuts elected 2014-15 president, SPJ

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —

The Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) installed Dana Neuts, freelance writer, editor and author, as its 98th president on Sept. 6. Neuts accepted office at the President's Installation Banquet at Excellence in Journalism 2014 in Nashville, Tenn., which is co-hosted with the Radio Television Digital News Association.

"I'm very much looking forward to the next year, working with you and working with the society," Neuts said in her speech.

Outside of what Neuts plans on doing for SPJ, professionally she has been working as a freelance journalist since 2003 and is also owner/publisher of iLoveKent.net. Previously, she was employed with the Lafayette Life Insurance Company and LaPorte Bank & Trust. Before her career, Neuts graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in business administration from Indiana Wesleyan University in 2000.

Through her years as a member of SPJ, Neuts has had numerous positions. Most notably, she was the National SPJ Secretary/Treasurer, Region 10 Director, on the Sigma Delta Chi Foundation board, Freelance Committee chair and Western-Secretary/Treasurer, Region 10 Director, on the Sigma Delta Chi Foundation board, Freelance Committee chair and Western Washington Pro Chapter President.

"I do what I do for SPJ, because SPJ has done so much for me," Neuts said in her speech.

For her upcoming year as SPJ president, Neuts plans on continuing the journalism advocacy efforts of Dave Cuillier, SPJ's outgoing president. She intends on doing this by supporting the growing SPJ's new freelance and digital communities and working with SPJ's new communications strategist to strengthen implementation of the revised Code of Ethics, and grow SPJ's partnerships with other journalism and non-journalism organizations.

"Every single chapter and every single member is going to benefit from the (Code of Ethics) change that was made today," Neuts said.

Complete coverage of the 2014 Excellence in Journalism conference is available from EIJ News at www.spj.org.

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Sequoyah National Research Center exhibit opens, Native American Stereotypes

The University of Arkansas at Little Rock's (UALR) Sequoyah National Research Center (SNRC) opened the exhibit, *Toy Tipis and Totem Poles: Native American Stereotypes in the Lives of Children*, in the Dr. J.W. Wiggins Native American Art Gallery on Friday, Sept. 5, 2014.

The exhibit will be drawn from the Hirschfelder-Molin Native American Stereotypes Collection, a collection of over 1500 museum objects and archival documents donated to SNRC in 2012 by Arlene Hirschfelder and Paulette Molin, professional educators and authors with decades-long experience in Native American education and Native American studies. It is thought that this may be the largest such collection in the world. SNRC's archivist Erin Fehr will be curating the exhibit with Hirschfelder, Molin, and SNRC staff.

The exhibit will highlight the areas of the collection dealing with children and the stereotypes of Native Americans that are omnipresent in the lives of American children. By examining childhood objects, dolls, toys, books, games, clothing, sports memorabilia, it is our intent that awareness of the inculcation of the images and their associations will bring attention to the difficulty of changing mainstream American thinking about Native stereotypes.

In addition to presenting the stereotypes themselves, positive images and responses from Native people will be presented as an alternative to the stereotypes. The purpose of this exhibit is to create awareness of the variety of Native cultures and educate the public on the achievements of contemporary American Indians and Alaska Natives.

UALR's Sequoyah National Research Center is dedicated to the collection and preservation of all forms of Native American expression. Located on the extreme southern end of the UALR campus in the University Plaza, SNRC has served as an archive for Native Americans for over 30 years. The gallery is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., and the exhibit will run through Dec. 19, 2014.

Indian Children

Personal memory written by Emma Haag Thompson to her son, Jim Archer, during the 1980s

Indian babies are looked upon as gifts to be cherished. And all the family takes care of them, grandmothers usually care for the babies as the mother does the other work for the family, she is also the storyteller.

The parents, before 1959, only had the children until school age, at that time they we taken to a government Indian school.

The parents were told the children had to go to school, or the wagons, blankets, food, and other necessary commodities would not be given to them.

This child, at school age, was taken from their parents and put in a government school where he was taught by white teachers and dorm people who were also white.

If you were caught speaking your native language you were punished by having to forfeit your leisure time and working instead. (I spent many of a Sundays shining floors.)

This child was in school nine months out of the year. So when little Indian came home on the summer vacation, he was treated as royalty by his parents. He also learned to have no allegiance to anyone. There was no family unity. His accomplishments were down graded; by his parents so the things he learned at school was ridiculed. Lots of us preferred to stay at school even in summer.

I graduated in 1929 from Concho Indian School in the 9th grade. And I was devastated that I had to go to El Reno High. If I had not had a white father I don't think I would have gone to high school. Lots of Indian students I graduated with did not finish school. It was very hard to adjust, but adjust I did.

When I was at Concho, I have lots of fond memories and lots of weird memories.

For instance we used to get so hungry on Sunday, especially for sweets or any goody. Several of us would go to the dining room porch and sit. Then one of us would crawl in and steal, I guess you would say, anything they could find and bring it out.

The weird part was the stories we were told about people or ghosts walking in the long hall at night. We used to be really scared and push our beds together in the long dorms. The girls' building was a block long, the halls were long, dark and lonely.

We used sign language to talk to the boys and were punished if we got caught.

We were marched every place we went, to bed, to wash, to eat, to the drill field, to class, and any other place we went.

We used to wish we were Catholics; they got to go to El Reno on Sunday to church. That was a real outing.

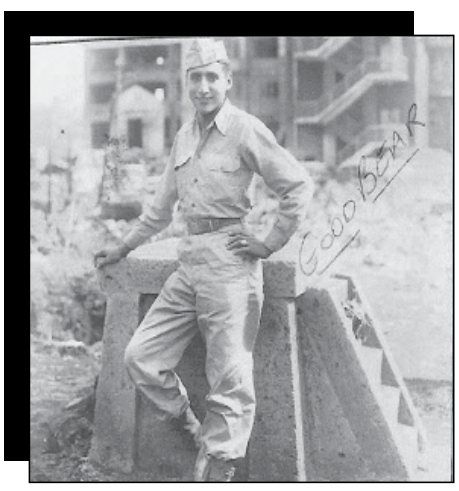
In the fall we were allowed to pick cotton for the farmers and make a little money. There was a little store across the railroad track, straight west of the school. They marched us over there in small groups to spend our money. It was a big deal and I used to buy small cans of sardines and crackers.

The lady who was our matron was called Mother Garrett.

A moment in time

Submitted article

She glances at the photo, and the pilot light of memory flickers in her eyes. ~Frank Deford



Submitted photo

Leonard Goodbear, U.S. Army

This morning, while rummaging through my desk at the office, I stumbled on the printed program from my father's funeral. He died in 2009 and, for some reason, I'd kept the little memento in my desk drawer. I'd forgotten it was there; so, to come unexpectedly face to face with daddy, at the office, of all places, something inside me just tuned up, and I cried.

Somehow, in my romance writer's mind, thoughts of daddy dredged up a memory of something he and I shared, something that I realized ended, the sharing of it anyway, when he died.

What was that something? A fantasy that my father unwittingly ignited inside me long ago. Goodbear.

Since he is a real person, I won't divulge Goodbear's first name. I wrote about him long ago in another blog, using a fictitious first name, but today he blossomed in my mind and my heart once again, with the sight of daddy's funeral program, and I wanted to think about him for a while.

Goodbear was an army buddy of my father's during World War II. I first saw him years ago while browsing through my parents' scrapbook. Although the album was filled with many, many black and white photographs taken during daddy's army days, Goodbear's picture stood out among the others. And, here I was, this young girl who lived in dreams with her books and writing and drawing, having a crush on an illusion in a sepia snap shot from long ago.

Back then, I suppose I liked him because he was different. He wasn't a blond, hometown boy like the other photos. There was just something special about him.

But every time I look at the photograph, my attention is drawn to his face, his sort of sad, knowing, serene eyes and the gentle smile. So relaxed, yet so unique from the other boisterous young men in the other photos. As though Goodbear had a secret, as though he knew someone would look at his photo one day and wish they knew him. As though he knew I would see him and wonder about him.

Daddy didn't know much about Goodbear, only that he was an American Indian from Oklahoma. The seemingly quiet fellow would playfully torture the Japanese cooks by grabbing them and thumping them on their heads. And that's about all my father recalled of Goodbear. It had been, after all, over sixty years.

But every time I saw my father, we still talked about his army days, and he still recounted the same details about Goodbear.

Well, daddy is gone now. And, only this morning, did the truth settle sadly into my heart that, with my father went Goodbear as well. I realized that, with his passing, daddy and Goodbear are both mere memories. I see now that the mysterious young dark-headed man was not only a fantasy of mine, but a link between me and my father's past. Goodbear served as a piece of memory that my dad loved to relive, of a time when he was young; and it offered me a brilliant photograph of the man my father was before he became daddy.

So, Goodbear, I owe you, man. I knew, and I think, somehow, mystically, you knew, too, that you'd serve a purpose in my life, somehow, somewhere, down the road. Everybody does, I think, serve a purpose in other lives, that is. Wherever you are now, Goodbear, thank you.

BRIEFS AT A GLANCE

The 2014 Fall Finance and Tribal Economies Conference

Sept. 22-23, 2014 at the Hard Rock Hotel in San Diego, Calif. For more information or to register visit www.ncai.org.

The 17th annual National Tribal Transportation Conference

Sept. 22-25, 2014 in Anchorage, Alaska. For more information or to register visit www.ncai.org.

National Intertribal Tax Alliance 16th annual Tax Conference

Sept. 24-25, 2014 at the Harrah Resort in Valley Center, Calif. For more information or to register visit www.ncai.org.

Combatting Casino Fraud with Forensic Accounting

Oct. 7-8, 2014 in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

National Indian Education 2014 Convention and Trade Show

Oct. 15-18, 2014 in Anchorage, Alaska. For more information or to register visit www.niea.org.

Introduction to Housing Management

Oct. 21-22, 2014 in Albuquerque, N.M. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Managing the Federall Funded Construction Project under Grants, Contracts and Self Determination Awards

Oct. 21-22, 2014 in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Strategies for Working with Youth in Indian Country

Oct. 22-24, 2014 at the Hamptin Inn in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Conducting Effective Performance Reviews in the Tribal Workplace

Oct. 28-30, 2014 in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

NACA annual Conference and Expo

Nov. 10-13, 2014 at the Miramonte Hotel and Resort in Palm Springs, Calif. For more information visit www.ncai.org.

The fifth annual Native American Health Care Conference

Nov. 12-14, 2014 at the Morongo Casino Resort and Spa in Cabazon, Calif. For more information visit www.nativenationevents.org.

Supervision and Management Skills: Leadership in the Tribal Workplace

Nov. 19-20, 2014 at the Sevenfeathers Casino Resort in Canyonville, Ore. For more information visit www.falmouthinstitue.com.

Payroll Tax Management for Tribal Organizations

Dec. 8-9, 2014 in Las Vegas, Nev. Visit www.falmouthinstitue.com.

Fighting the meth and suicide war, one battle at a time

Submitted article

Methamphetamine use and suicide in Native communities is on the rise. According to current research findings, meth use among Native American people is higher than any other racial/ethnic group.

Similarly, suicide is the second leading cause of death in Natives between the ages of 10 to 34 with substance abuse being a huge contributing factor. Given these statistics, one might wonder how meth and suicide affect the Cheyenne and Arapaho people and what is being done to remedy this issue.

The answer is this; while there aren't any tribal specific numbers on Cheyenne and Arapaho members, the evidence is clear that meth use and suicide is a serious issue needing immediate attention. The George Hawkins Memorial Treatment Center in Clinton has seen an increase in clients seeking treatment for meth abuse in the last six years and currently meth is the most commonly abused substance with prescription pills right behind it.

In an effort to find a solution to this immediate danger our people are in, the George Hawkins Memorial Treatment Center obtained a grant called the Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Initiative or MSPI for short. The grant is in its sixth and final year however, has shown great progress in the past with a focus on the clients at the treatment center. For its last year the MSPI project will focus on bringing awareness and prevention to the community at large.

Kateri Fletcher is a Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member and graduate from Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) with a master's degree in Community Counseling and is now the lead for the MSPI grant. Since taking on the position in June, she has made community appearances at the back to school events, the community baby shower, and all of the head start health fairs. At these events Fletcher has set up a booth with information on both meth use and suicide. Fletcher's hope is to continue interacting with the community to educate and prevent meth use and suicide among the Cheyenne and Arapaho people. In addition to her efforts, Fletcher would like to hear from tribal members on how meth and suicide has impacted their communities specifically to assess the level of prevention and education that is needed.

If you would like to share your experiences or concerns with meth use and suicide please contact Fletcher directly at hkafletcher@c-a-tribes.org or at the George Hawkins Memorial Treatment Center, (580) 331-2370. It is only through community partnership that a solution to meth addiction and suicide among the Cheyenne and Arapaho people, can be found so let's start the conversation.

New program brings HOPE to tribal members

Beginning Oct. 1, 2014, the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes will implement the new program entitled, HOPE Program, *Helping Our People Excel*.

This new program will replace, what has traditionally been called the Crisis Program.

The mission of the HOPE Program, reads, "*The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes HOPE Program is to selflessly assist low-income tribal members with supplemental assistance during genuine crisis situations and increase the understanding and significance of self-sufficiency in daily living*."

In an effort to educate tribal members on the new guidelines for the HOPE Program, they are printed below, in their entirety.

For more information call (405) 422-7580.

CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES

HOPE

HELPING OUR PEOPLE EXCEL

GUIDE LINES

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes HOPE Program is to selflessly assist low-income tribal members with supplemental assistance during genuine crisis situations and increase the understanding and significance of self-sufficiency in daily living.

GUIDELINES

The following guidelines distinguish allowable types of assistance that may be granted by the HOPE Program. An application must be completed before assistance can be provided. If assistance has been provided by another tribal program during the same time frame and for the same service the applicant is seeking HOPE funds for, services will be denied. Intentional double-dipping from more than (2) tribal programs will constitute suspension from each program for a period of (1) year.

For purposes of these guidelines, IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER shall be defined as a husband, wife, father, mother, sister, brother, son or daughter. In questions of guardianship, legal documents must be provided.

Guidelines must be adhered to. Exceptions to any guideline must be approved by the HOPE Program Director.

Certain services are INCOME BASED and are denoted as such. The following chart can be used to determine the eligibility of an applicant based on family size.

Income Guidelines Chart

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Income Guidelines	$22,755	$28,755	$34,755	$40,755	$46,755	$52,755	$58,755	$64,755

SCHEDULE A

The Hope Program guidelines will be used as a guide for the purpose of providing crisis situation assistance to tribal members. Requests made to the HOPE program that are not addressed in this document may be considered by the HOPE Program Director on a case-by-case basis.

Assistance with prescriptions will be considered on a case-by-case basis; however, for liability reasons, the HOPE Program will not assist with the purchase of any narcotic prescription(s).

FOOD ASSISTANCE

Food assistance will be given directly to the client in the form of debit cards for Walmart, Beachlers, or United Foods upon application approval.

- A crisis must be documented by the client, indicating why he/she is not able to buy/obtain food.
  - Medical emergency
  - Natural/man-made disaster
  - Any other situation not mentioned above
- Amount of assistance is based on household size.
- Assistance is for enrolled or enrollment-eligible persons.
- Non-tribal members listed on application are not included when determining family size
- If applicant or household member is/was included in another applicant's application, that person is not considered when determining family size.
- Guardians must submit court-ordered documents if claiming non-biological children on application.
- Receipts of food purchases are required to be submitted to caseworker within 30 days of application approval. Failure to return receipts on time or making purchases other than food will result in a 50% reduction in services requested on the next application submitted.
- Required documents must be provided (see Schedule B).
- Food assistance will be given once every twelve (12) months, per household.

MEDICAL

- Patient must be a tribal member or an immediate family member of a tribal member.
- ICU or critically ill documentation must be provided from medical facility.
- Assistance for food is intended for immediate family living in household.
- Household is located more than 50 miles from hospital where patient is admitted.
- Assistance for food will be given as needed for each ICU admission.
- Assistance for food will be a flat rate of $60.00 per week, per household.

DISASTER

- A crisis must be established by the client indicating what kind of disaster he/she has experienced and why he/she is not able to buy food.
  - Natural Disasters: Flood, earthquake, tornado, wildfire, extreme heat/cold, ice storm, blizzard, hail, lightning, or any other weather-related disaster
  - Man-made Disasters: Explosion, riot, fire, terrorist/chemical/nuclear attack, war, or any other disaster created by human intent, negligence, or error
- Client must utilize all other resources such as Red Cross, FEMA or other agency shelters.
- Tribal members must utilize the community shelters for immediate food needs, if available.
- Application must be submitted within the first 72 hours of disaster.
- Assistance for food will be given once per household/per disaster.
- Assistance for food will be a flat rate of $60.00 per week, per household.

RENTAL ASSISTANCE

Rental Assistance is income based. Applicants should refer to the Income Guidelines Chart (Schedule A).
Assistance for a rental property will be paid to the owner/proprietor/landlord upon application approval.

- A crisis must be documented by the client, indicating why he/she is not able to pay rent.
- No rental assistance will be given to different household members living in the same household.
- Late fees will not be paid.
- Tribal member must be a resident of the rental property.
- Required documents must be provided (see Schedule B).

RENT

- Maximum allowable rental assistance is $500.00.
- Rental assistance may be obtained once every twelve (12) months.
- Only 60% of rent with an eviction or late notice will be paid.

RENTAL DEPOSIT

- Maximum allowable assistance for a rental deposit is $250.00.
- Assistance for a rental deposit may be obtained once every twelve (12) months.

TEMPORARY SHELTER/LODGING ASSISTANCE

Assistance for temporary shelter/lodging will be paid to the hotel/motel upon application approval.

- A crisis must be established by the client indicating why assistance with temporary shelter/lodging is necessary.
  - Domestic violence situation
  - Department of Corrections release
  - Emergency medical situation
  - Natural/man-made disaster
- Required documents must be provided (see Schedule B).

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- The domestic violence incident must be documented by local law enforcement
- A Protective Order must be filed.
- Application must be submitted within the first 72 hours of the domestic incident.
- Assistance for lodging will be provided once every twelve (12) months.
- Maximum allowable assistance for lodging is (1) hotel room for seven (7) days.

D.O.C. RELEASES

- Documentation from Department of Corrections must be provided within 2 weeks of release.
- Initial assistance for lodging is (1) hotel room for seven (7) days.
- One additional week of lodging may be provided if Employment Search Form is submitted.

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

- Patient must be a tribal member or an immediate family member of a tribal member.
- ICU or critically ill documentation must be provided from medical facility.
- Household is located more than 50 miles from hospital where patient is admitted.
- Hospital accommodations are not available where patient is admitted, as verified by hospital staff/social worker—documentation required.
- Assistance for lodging will be given as needed for each ICU/critical care admission.
- Allowable assistance will be one (1) hotel room for one (1) family for a maximum of seven (7) days. *(Hotel accommodations for numerous family members will not be considered. The rationale is that the hotel will be used for bathing and minimal sleep by family members of the critically ill patient as it is expected that the family will spend the majority of the time at the hospital with their loved one.)*
- Assistance for lodging will be given on a first-come first-served basis, should multiple households within a family apply for lodging. Kinship report will be referred to if necessary.

DISASTER

- Natural disaster must be documented: Flood, earthquake, tornado, wildfire, extreme heat/cold, ice storm, blizzard, hail, lightning, or any other weather-related disaster
- Man-made disaster must be documented: Explosion, riot, fire, terrorist/chemical/nuclear attack, war, or any other disaster created by human intent, negligence, or error
- Client must utilize all other resources such as Red Cross, FEMA or other agency shelters.
- Tribal members will utilize the Tribal Community Centers for immediate shelter/lodging needs, if available.
- If community centers have no power or are filled to capacity, lodging will be provided.
- Application must be submitted within the first 72 hours of disaster.
- Assistance for lodging will be given once per household/per disaster.
- Allowable assistance for lodging is (1) hotel room/one (1) family for a maximum of seven (7) days.

TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE

Assistance for transportation will be paid directly to the client upon application approval.

- A crisis must be documented by the client, indicating why he/she is not able to purchase gas.
  - Domestic violence situation
  - Medical emergency
  - Funeral
- Assistance for transportation is for enrolled or enrollment-eligible persons
- Required documents must be provided (see Schedule B).
- No airline tickets will be provided.
- Tribal transit cards will be issued as the primary resource for transportation assistance, if appropriate to the situation.
- Mileage Chart

Distance	Amount	Distance	Amount
30-50 mi	$25.00	601-650 mi	$125.00
51-100 mi	$25.00	651-700 mi	$125.00
101-150 mi	$25.00	701-750 mi	$125.00
151-200 mi	$50.00	751-800 mi	$150.00
201-250 mi	$50.00	801-850 mi	$150.00
251-300 mi	$50.00	851-900 mi	$150.00
301-350 mi	$75.00	901-1000 mi	$175.00
351-400 mi	$75.00	1001-1050 mi	$175.00
401-450 mi	$75.00	1051-1100 mi	$175.00
451-500 mi	$100.00	1101-1200 mi	$200.00
501-550 mi	$100.00	1201-1250 mi	$200.00
551-600 mi	$100.00	1251-1300 mi	$200.00
		1301 and over	$250.00

- Shell gas debit cards will be issued to the applicant upon application approval.
- Receipts of gas purchases are required to be submitted to caseworker within 30 days of application approval.
- Failure to return receipts in the time allotted or making purchases other than gasoline will result in a 50% reduction in services requested on the next application submitted.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- Client must have sought assistance from the Tribes' domestic abuse program (if one exists).
- The domestic violence incident must be documented by local law enforcement.
- There has been a Protective Order filed in the incident.
- Assistance for transportation will be limited to once every twelve (12) months.

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

- In order to receive transportation assistance the applicant or patient must be a tribal member.
- Applicant must be an immediate family member as defined on the first page of this document.
- Residence is less than 50 miles from hospital or applicant has opted out of temporary housing assistance.
- No transportation assistance will be provided if client is assisted with lodging.
- Assistance for transportation will be given as needed for each hospital admission.

FUNERAL

- Transportation assistance is only granted when attending a funeral outside the state of residence.
- Assistance for transportation may be granted to attend a funeral of an immediate family member—applicant or deceased must be a tribal member.
- Assistance will be given as needed for each funeral.

UTILITY ASSISTANCE

Rental Assistance is income based and applicants should refer to the Income Guidelines Chart (Schedule A).

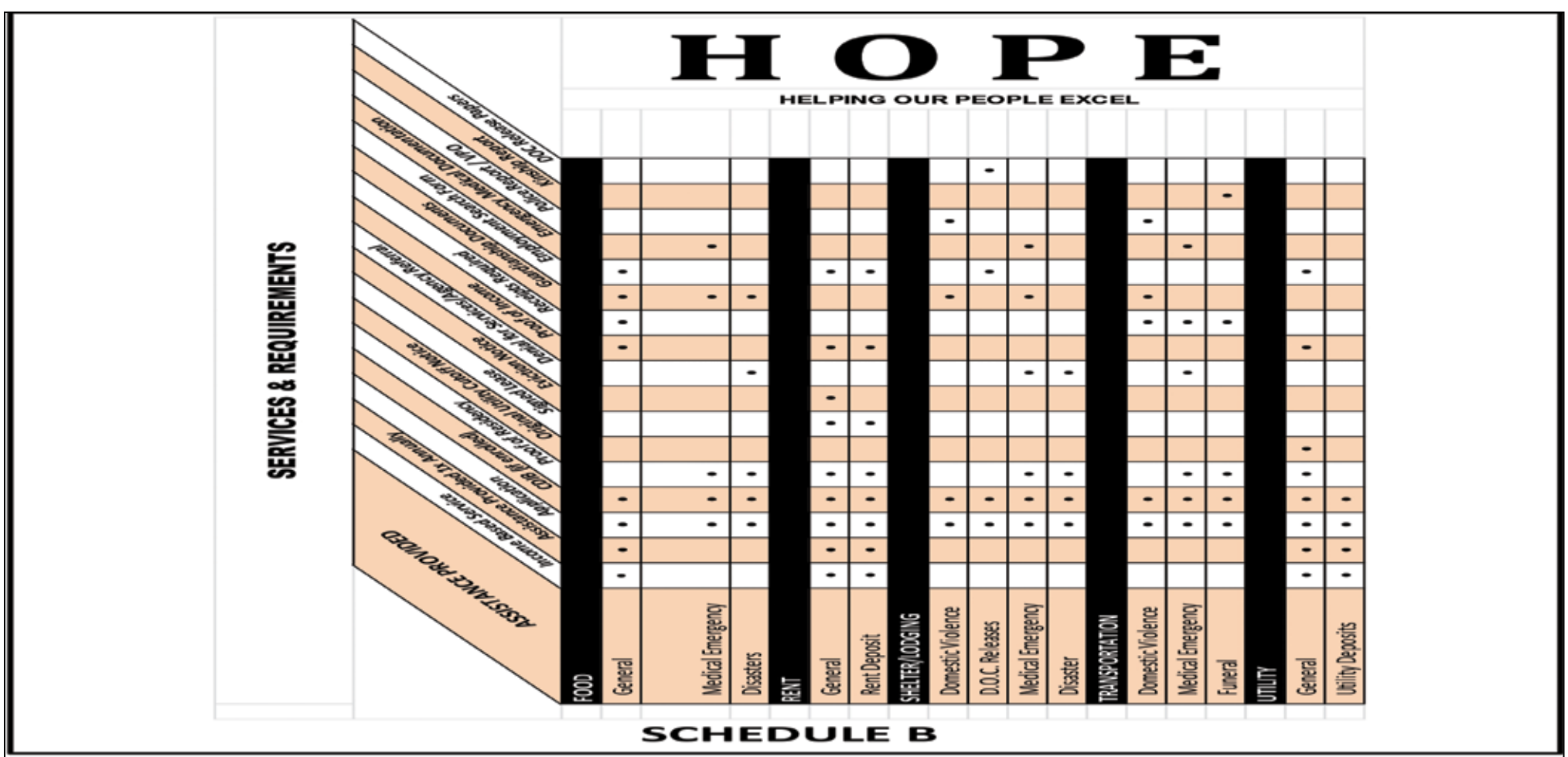
- Assistance for utilities will be paid to the vendor for the following utilities upon application approval:
  - Electric
  - Gas
  - Water
  - Propane
  - Septic Tank Cleanout
  - Wood
- Required documents must be provided (see Schedule B).

EMERGENCY

- A crisis must be documented by the client, indicating why he/she was not able to pay for the utility.
- Reconnect/Service Reinitiating or other such fees will not be paid.
- Utility bills older than two (2) months from the assessment date will not be paid.
- Original bills must be submitted.
- Other resources should be utilized first and those guidelines will apply.
- No utility assistance will be granted to different household members on the same account in one service year.
- Bills, invoices, cut-off notices, etc. in a deceased person's name will not be paid.
- Maximum allowable assistance for utilities is $400.00.
- Assistance for utilities may be obtained once every twelve (12) months.
- Only 60% of a utility cut-off notice will be paid.

UTILITY DEPOSITS

- Must provide Service Connect (establishing new service) documents.
- Maximum (combined) allowable utility assistance is $250.00.
- Assistance for utility deposits may be obtained once every twelve (12) months.



Tribal TidBits

Buffalo Chili Winners

L-R: 2nd Place, Angie Reynolds, 1st Place, Wanda Whiteman, 3rd Place, Robin Noyes.

Diabetes Wellness Program would like to thank all contestants and judges who participated in the buffalo chili cook-off. Also the Colony c\powwow committee for their support for the contest to be held at their pow-wow grounds. Congratulations to the 2014 winners and we look forward to next year's contest.

R.E.Sp.E.C.T. activities at Colony Powwow

The R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program led activities for all to enjoy at the Colony Labor Day powwow. The activities included, horseshoes, volleyball, turtle race, a youth track meet and a Tiny Tot contest after Grand Entry.

Promoted to Red Belt

Andrea Curtis (14 years old), a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes was promoted to her Red Belt at the Anadarko Martial Arts on Aug. 25, 2014.

She was evaluated on her stamina consisting of hard exercises and a one mile run.

In addition to these exercises she was evaluated on her skills and techniques of her advanced form, weapon form, kicks, stances, blocks, 25 self-defense moves, fighting, and board breakings.

Head Instructor, Cheryl Gomez said that she's been training Andrea since May of 2009 and she is one belt closer to her Black Belt.

"Andrea is a quiet but strong, disciplined, knowledgeable, young lady and would like to congratulate her on a job well done."

R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Summerfest Golf Scramble Winners

Henson brothers won 1st place.

Charlie Howlingwater and Victor Orange took 2nd place.

Health coverage

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Health Insurance Marketplace do not have to pay out-of-pocket costs like deductibles, copayments, and coinsurance if their income is up to around $70,650 for a family of four.

Regardless of income, AI/AN do not have any out-of-pocket costs for items or services provided by IHS, tribal programs, or urban Indian programs, including Contract Health Services. Those who enroll in a private health insurance plan through the Health Insurance Marketplace can get (or keep getting) services from IHS, and they can also get services from any provider on the Marketplace plan.

AI/AN eligible for services from IHS have special cost and eligibility rules making it easier for them to enroll in Medicaid and/or the Children's Health Insurance program (CHIP), also known as Soonercare in the state of Oklahoma. Medicaid and CHIP do not have a limited enrollment period, allowing qualifying individuals and families to apply throughout the year. While a parent or guardian may not qualify for Medicaid, children may still qualify for CHIP coverage.

In the past, those who lost their job were left with COBRA as their only choice for health insurance. For most, this option was too costly to be affordable. If job-based insurance is lost for any reason, a private health insurance plan may be purchased through the Marketplace, even if the job is left outside of Open Enrollment. These individuals and families may also qualify for coverage under Medicaid or CHIP.

Those who are a part of a small business, with 50 or fewer full-time equivalent (FTE) employees, have the opportunity to offer Small Businesses Health Options Program (SHOP) Marketplace coverage at any time in the year. Small businesses with fewer than 25 employees are eligible for the Small Business Health Care Tax Credit. Individuals who are self-employed with no employees may get coverage through the individual market Health Insurance Marketplace, but not through SHOP.

Young adults are among the most common group to not have health insurance. This group, between the ages of 18-34, experiences many transitioning milestones (i.e. graduation, preparing to go back to school, moving) and often make the transition off their parent's health insurance policy. Through the new health care law, many young adults are now able to stay on their parent's policy until they turn 26. Adult children can join or remain on a parent's plan even if they are: married, not living with their parents, attending school, not financially dependent on their parents, and/or eligible to enroll in their employer's plan. Graduating students may be able to sign up for coverage through the Special Enrollment Period.

The Clinton Service Unit encourages anyone with questions, or those who would like assistance in applying for alternate health coverage resources to contact their benefits coordinators. Clinton Indian Health Center, please contact either Donna Hill at (580) 331-3398 or Teresa Murray at (580) 331-3364. El Reno Indian Health Center, please contact Juanita Benally Morsette at (580) 234-8425.

Native Business, hope in lending

By Jim Stanley, Guest writer

A Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) is a lender that exists to empower underserved and distressed communities by producing positive outcomes in areas of economic, family, and ecological impact.

The CDFI industry is about 20 years old and a number of Native CDFIs exist in Washington State which are sponsored by their respective tribe but independent from the government, Taala Fund (Quinault), Lummi CDFI, Chehalis Tribal Loan Fund, and Northwest Native Development Fund (Colville).

Services are customized by Native CDFIs to match the needs of their respective community, making possible the, financial education for individuals to learn budgeting and credit management, credit builder loans to individuals, lending to existing tribal member owned businesses and startups, finance land acquisition, infrastructure, and economic development needs of a tribe and act as a non-political long term conduit to manage capital –both intellectual and dollars.

CDFIs are a non-bank lender which means they make loans like a bank but do not collect deposits. This allows a Native CDFI to focus upon education and deploying capital. Loans are made according to set criteria of underwriting guidelines and approved by a loan committee. A loan committee may be comprised of elders, financial professionals from the local area, and others with a desire to help their community.

In addition to leveraging a tribe's resources a CDFI may attract capital from the Department of Treasury, foundations, individuals, and other lending institutions.

The result is an amplified benefit to the community by leveraging multiple funding sources to promote community health.

Jim Stanley freely shares his knowledge in an effort to foster economic success in Indian Country.

He is a Tribal member of the Quinault Indian Nation, Treasurer of the Tribal C-Store Summit Group, and Chairman of the Quinault Nation Enterprise Board. To contact Jim for comments, visit www.JimStanley.biz. (Full disclosure: Jim works for Craft3, a Community Development Financial Institution.)

Powwows & Events CALENDAR

The 46th annual Seminole Nation Days

Sept. 19-21, 2014 at the Mekusukey Mission, southwest of city in Seminole, Okla. Begins Friday morning, Sept. 19. For more information call (405) 382-1010.

Medicine Park Flute Festival

8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sept. 20-21, 2014 at Medicine Park, 148 E. Lake Drive in Medicine Park, Okla.

Standing Bear Powwow

Sept. 26-27, 2014 at 601 Bear Parkway in Ponca City, Okla. Hosted by the six north-central tribes of Oklahoma. For more information call (580) 762-1514 or (580) 762-3148.

Comanche Nation Fair

Sept. 26-28, 2014 at the Comanche Nation complex, 584 NW Bingo Rd., in Lawton, Okla. Parade, rodeo, free concert, art show and more. For more information call (580) 492-3240 or toll free at (877) 492-4988.

End Mass Incarceration Rally at the State Capitol

Oct. 2, 2014 at the South and North Plaza, Oklahoma State Capitol. Guest speaker will be Senator Constance Johnson and showing of documentary, The House I Live In, about the war on drugs. For more information call (501) 455-2817.

Breast Cancer Awareness Powwow and Health Fair

Oct. 17-18, 2014 at the Canton Community Center in Canton, Okla. Health Fair begins Friday, Oct. 17, 12 noon - 5 p.m. Powwow is schedule for Saturday, Oct. 18 from 3 p.m. - 11 p.m. Also a healing and wellness sweat will be held Saturday, Oct. 18 at 12 noon. For more information contact Deborah Ellis at (405) 422-7674 or Ruben Watan at (405) 422-7676.

Clinton I.H.S. and the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' 5K and Fun Run

8 a.m., Saturday Oct. 25, 2014 at the Clinton Indian Health Center in Clinton, Okla. Open to the public and everyone is invited to attend this event in support of HIV/Aids Awareness.

Haskell Alumni Association of Oklahoma's annual Reunion

Oct. 31-Nov. 2, 2014 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Tulsa, Okla. Opening reception Friday, Oct. 31 at 6 p.m. For more information contact Loretta Burgess at (918) 633-7030 or by email, duskkut1951@yahoo.com or Carmen Ketcher at (918) 333-7483 or by email, Sacnfoxlady@gmail.com.

September is National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month

Childhood Obesity Awareness Month is observed to build awareness of childhood obesity and ways to combat it.

During the past four decades obesity rates have increased among all age groups.

Did you know obese children have an 80 percent chance of becoming obese as adults.

Childhood obesity is entirely preventable. It's up to adults to encourage these healthy habits and ensure children receive a healthy start from the beginning.

Creamy & Crunchy Cauliflower Salad

Cooking with USDA Foods

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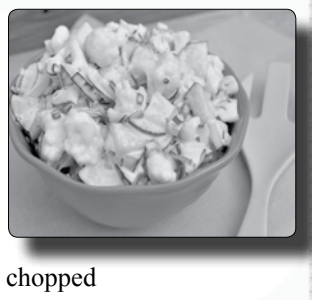

5 tablespoons reduced fat mayonnaise
2 tablespoons cider vinegar
1 small onion, finely chopped
¼ teaspoon black pepper
3 cups cauliflower, chopped about ½ large head
2 cups romaine lettuce, chopped
1 red apple, chopped

Whisk mayonnaise, vinegar, onion and pepper in a large bowl until smooth. Add cauliflower, romaine lettuce and apple. Toss until coated. Chill and serve.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

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Happy Birthday

Happy 1st Birthday to our princess Adriana Martinez
We love seeing you grow and learn more each day baby girl
We wish you many more and we love you!
mama Gracie, daddy, big sisters, Araceli and Marisol, grandpa Francis and grandma

Lydia, auntie Desi, uncles Will and Justin

Happy Birthday Lauren
Sept. 29
We are very blessed to have you in our lives
Love mom and dad, Iris, grandma Nibbs, grandma Grant, aunt Summer, uncle Fred,

Kenzi, Penelope and Johnnie Bo

I want to wish my beautiful little girl Morgan Harvie a Happy Birthday!
These past 6 years I have really enjoyed watching you grow up. You are a bright, wonderful, loving, caring, ornery, little girl. You always seem to brighten my day. I hope your day is as wonderful as you are.

Happy 6th Birthday!
We love you so very much from your mom, your father, the late Johnny Harvie, all your brothers and sisters, all your grandparents, your uncles, your aunts, and the entire family
Sept. 28
Happy Birthday also to Kylie Harvie
Hope you have a great birthday, we love you

Happy Birthday auntie LaVada and many more on Sept. 29!
Lots of love from Codi Moe!

Happy 6th Birthday to Mayanna Takiowa Narcomey
From mommy and daddy
We love you gorgeous!

Peyton Annie BullComing
Happy 2nd Birthday on Sept. 24!
We love you very much from momma Wilma, daddy Peanuts, big sis Kendra, and big bro Henry

I'd like to wish my lovely sister Theresa a Happy Birthday on Sept. 19!
I hope that you have a great one and many more to come!
I love you very much! Kara

Happy Belated 7th Birthday
Mya Larose
Sept. 9
From you brothers and sister, mom and daddy
We love you!

Happy 6th Birthday
Miyani Renay
Sept. 29
From you brothers and sister, mom and daddy
We love you!

In Loving Memory
Shalane A. Sampson

It is hard to believe, I'm still holding on, and still loving you.

I smile from time to time to know that you've kept a love in a place, in your heart for me, from all the years we've lost, but caught up and found me.

And I will never forget you in my life and our love, we've shared. I'm sorry to be in a place that kept me away from you, but, still, I can never stop loving you, from day one back in 1988, until forever, with a smile, in silence.

From yours truly, with love, J. Starr

Listening for His Voice

When I was a young man
I went on a vision quest.
As I walked in the mountains,
I heard the screech of an eagle.
For a moment I doubted that I heard right,
For about me some jaybirds were scolding me
With their infernal squawking.
But I was sure I heard the eagle's cry.
So I listened more intently and continued on my journey.
When I reached the top of the mountain
I looked out and saw an eagle soaring.
My heart filled with joy;
For I realized my ears were different.
They had become tuned to the voice of the Great Spirit.
I now listen
for His voice all the time.
It makes me wiser
And it guides my path to Him.

David Kaw

Happy Birthday Barbara Sweezy
We love you!!! Your family.

Thank You!

Our families want to say thank you for all the support we received from our recent passing of our sister, Ella Katherine Morton. We all still think about her everyday so please continue to pray for our family for comfort. We miss her dearly but know that she is in a better place now.

Thank you for all the prayers and those who visited or called to check on her.

Thank you to Mercy Hospital, the compassion and thoughtfulness will never be forgotten. Also Wallace Coffey for his generosity and encouragement, Dave Bearshield & the Master's Touch for the wonderful music, Jay and Joann Swallow for their kind words and encouragement, C&A Burial office and crew for assisting us in taking care of our sister and Dena Yazzie & family for being with us during this time.

And most of all, those who donated items for the giveaway and our cooks who served a great meal.

If we have left anyone out, it is not intentional, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Siblings - James, Gene, Beverly, Jessie,Christine, Linwood, Corrine and families, Mary Hawk, aunt, Geri Redbird and family.

Thank You

I would like to thank the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes for keeping up with the murder of my little angel Naomi Whitecrow. The more I hear of her not doing what she asked of the court and her children being taken from her gives me more peace though and pray day and night that she gets better. Maybe one day she will come to her senses and tell some judge what really happened to Naomi.

It does break my heart to hear that her children are being taken from her. I was raised by Luther and Wanada Red Hat whom taught me a lot about my Cheyenne ways and that it is not to have hatred towards anybody when somebody says or does something against you. You don't say or do something back to them.

Pray for them that things will get better for them. So, that day on Jan. 20, 2009, I prayed for Amy Holder and her family that things will get better for them, but I cant make that decision, Maheo can and from the newspaper article it seems He is handling it. You always leave your problems to Him and let Him do what He wants.

To all of the Cheyenne and Arapaho mothers keep your children close by and cherish them everyday, when something negative pops in your head grab those babies and hug them, love them, because 'ain't' no other person can love and care for them the way we do.

Haho,
Kala Whitecrow

In Loving Memory of Daniel Whiteman Sr.
Jan. 11, 1950 - Sept. 6, 2002

He Only Takes the Best

God saw he was getting tired, A cure was not to be.

So He put His arms around him and whispered, Come with Me. With tearful eyes, we watched him suffer, and saw him fade away.

Although we loved him dearly, we could not make him stay. A golden heart stopped beating that day.

Hard working hands were put to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.

Pray for the day there will be a permanent cure for cancer.

In memory of anyone you know who has been struck down by cancer or is still living with it. Light a candle.

A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle. Keep the candle going, a small request, just one line.

Dear God, I pray You will guide someone to fine a cure for cancer in 2014.

In Jesus Name, Amen.

In Loving Memory

Maureen Gladys Haag Bigpond was born Dec. 25, 1946 to Charles and Rosa Haag in Concho, Okla.

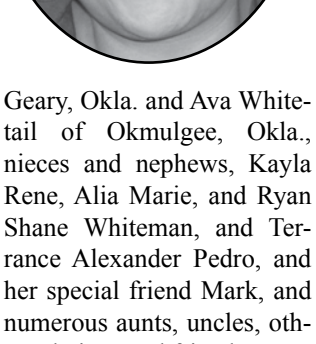
She departed this life Aug. 12, 2010 in Tulsa, Okla.

She attended Yukon Public Schools and later received her GED. She then attended San Pablo, California Community College.

Ethan Bigpond and Maureen were married 47 years and had four children, Kogee Lahoma Bigpond, Gibson Bigpond, Ethan Bigpond Jr., and Scotty Bigpond.

Maureen enjoyed reading, traveling and especially spending time with her family and grand children

It has been 4 years since



Maureen went to be with the Lord and rejoicing with her mom and dad and loved family members.

We miss her so much, but we know she is in a much better place. No more suffering and pain that she bravely endured.

We love you mom and we'll all be together when our time is called.

Kogee, Gib, Fatman, Scott and dad

Obituraries

In Loving Memory
Bertha J. Lamebull
Oct. 5, 1932 – Aug. 26, 2014

Wake services were held for Bertha Lamebull on Aug. 29, 2014 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla.

Funeral services were held on Aug. 30, 2014 also at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla.

In Loving Memory
Virgil Martin Perry
Nov. 6, 1957 – Aug. 28, 2014

An all night Wake Service was held for Virgil Perry on Sept. 1, 2014 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla.

Funeral services were held on Sept. 2, 2014 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla

In Loving Memory
Ella Katherine Morton
September 9, 1969 – Aug. 29, 2014

An all night Wake Service was held for Ella Katherine Morton on Sept. 3, 2014 at the Huber Benson Funeral Chapel in El Reno, Okla.

Funeral services were held on Sept. 4, 2014 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla

In Loving Memory
Garland Don Island
June 22, 1958 – Aug. 29, 2014

Wake services were held for Garland Island on Sept. 4, 2014 at the Beard's Funeral Chapel in Fayetteville, Ark.

Funeral services were held on Sept. 5, 2014 at the Beard's Funeral Chapel in Fayetteville, Ark

In Loving Memory
Betty Lou Ridgebear
July 26, 1975 - Aug. 25, 2014

Betty Lou Ridgebear was born July 26, 1975 in El Reno, Okla. to Steven and Carol Sue (James) Ridgebear. She departed this life in Oklahoma City with her special friend by her side on Aug. 25, 2014 at the Manor Care Nursing Home at the age of 39.

Betty attended El Reno Schools, and lived most of her life in El Reno, Okla.

Survivors include her children, Jordie Ridgebear of Oklahoma City, Sophia Marie Ridgebear of Yukon, Okla., and Sadie Renee. Nephews of El Reno, Okla., sister, Caroline Ridgebear Whiteman of Oklahoma City, great-grandparents, Ell Mae Morton of Anadarko, Okla. Pat Rowlodge of

Geary, Okla. and Ava Whitetail of Okmulgee, Okla., nieces and nephews, Kayla Rene, Alia Marie, and Ryan Shane Whiteman, and Terrance Alexander Pedro, and her special friend Mark, and numerous aunts, uncles, other relatives and friends.

Preceded in death by her parents, Steven and Carol Sue Ridgebear; and grandparents, Jesse M. and Betty Lou Morton James.

CLASSIFIED SECTION

Employment: Submit a tribal application, resume, diploma(s), transcripts, valid copy of Oklahoma state driver's license and a copy of CDIB to Personnel Department, PO Box 38, Concho, OK 73022 or email tthompson@c-a-tribes.org.

Health Technician, Health Education Building One, Concho Closing:Sept. 17

Qualifications:

High school or General Education Equivalency. Some College Preferred. Must have drivers license, own vehicle, and proof of insurance. Knowledge of computer software programs including Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Publisher. Must be willing to obtain CPR and First Aid Certification. Familiar with organization policies and procedures. Knowledge of Cheyenne-Arapaho Culture. Willing to work flexible hours including nights and weekends. Able to attend various training programs. Must pass background check. Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Preference.

SALARY: Dependent on qualifications.

Greenhouse Garden Assistant Food Distribution, Watonga, Oklahoma Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Prefer knowledge and experience in the area of gardening and greenhouses. Knowledge of traditional Native foods and cultivation of foods. Work with minimal supervision. Communicate proficiently orally and written. Knowledge of Microsoft Office programs. High level of initiative, effort and commitment towards completing assignments in a timely manner. High School Diploma or GED. Cheyenne-Arapaho Preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Adult Education/Tribal Youth Counselor Clinton/ Hammon(1), Geary/ Canton(1) Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Experience working with native students within the public school setting. Knowledge of current eclectic learning styles, Education program policies and regulations, General Education curriculum, and assessment procedures. Prepare lesson plans, progress reports, fliers, and other similar or related materials. Maintain professionalism and environment conducive to learning. Computer skills in word and excel. Current Oklahoma driver's license and have a clean driving record. Willing to travel extensively. Pass OSBI background check and drug test. Work flexible hours including weekends and holidays. Cheyenne-Arapaho Preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Receptionist Crisis Program, Concho, Closing: Sept. 23

Qualifications:

High School Diploma or GED and one year of related experience required. Computer knowledge and skills preferred. Valid Oklahoma state driver's license. Proficient communication skills, both oral and written. Knowledge of filing procedures with ability to maintain and/or organize department records. Skilled with general office equipment: Facsimile machine, typewriter, copiers, etc. Ability to work with public in all aspects. Cheyenne and Arapaho Preference.

SALARY: Dependent on qualifications.

Project Manager Language Program, Concho Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

High School Diploma. Prefer Associate's Degree or at least two years of college. Must possess two years of work experience in related field or equivalent. Willing to further education (Associate or Bachelor's Degree). Computer literate, and proficient in Microsoft Office. Valid driver's license and reliable transportation. Must pass a background check and Drug Test. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Tribal Security Officer (Full-time and Part-Time) Concho and Clinton Open Until Filled

Qualifications:

High School diploma or GED certification. Must possess a valid Oklahoma driver's license and have reliable transportation. Must be 18 years of age. Must have security training Cleet Phase I and II. Must be willing to work flexible hours, which will include some nights and weekends during high alert status. Must be able to work in extreme inclement weather. Must be able to stand for long periods of time. Must pass a criminal background check. Must pass drug test. Must be in good physical condition. Must have good oral and written communication skills. Must have adequate knowledge of safety standards. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference.

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Excellent videography and editing skills and a keen awareness of screen composition, video quality, audio quality, and lighting aesthetics. Independent worker with good communication skills, good interpersonal skills, and problem-solving abilities. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

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Teacher Aide Head Start, Canton Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Must have a valid Oklahoma driver's license and be willing to obtain a CDL and Bus Driver's Certificate within 90 days of hire. Must be in good physical health, which allows lifting and moving. Knowledge of Head Start is desirable. Ability to work independently. A high school diploma or GED certification required. Must be familiar with federal, regional, state, and local Tribal regulations as they apply to the specific area of program operations.

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Substitute Teacher Aide Clinton (2), Concho (2), Canton (1). Closing: Continuous

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SALARY: Negotiable

Caseworker Aide, Crisis Program Clinton, Ok. Open Until Filled

Qualifications:

Must have valid Oklahoma driver's license in order to operate a government vehicle. High school diploma or G.E.D. certification required. Must be able to favorably pass a background check in which suitability of employment is determined. One year or relevant experience i.e. secretarial, para-professional, administrative assistant, etc. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Economic Development Director Economic Development, Concho, OK Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Bachelor's in business field. Some college with work experience in contracting, procurement, federal programs may substitute for the Bachelor's degree. Familiar with the historical service area of the tribes. Valid Oklahoma driver's license.

SALARY: Negotiable

Upcoming JOM Meetings

Hammon
High School Cafeteria
Sept. 15 5-7p.m.

Enid
Enid Public Library
Sept. 22 4-6p.m.

Mustang
Mustang Conference Center
Sept. 23 6-8p.m.

Parents are strongly encouraged to attend. Door prizes and refreshments will be provided.

For more information call (405) 422-7566.

NOTICE - REQUEST FOR PARTICIPANTS

The Health Education Program is seeking participants who is a person with breast cancer (present or past) or their family members.

For more information, please call the Health Education at (405) 422-7674 or (405) 422-7676 or toll free at (800) 247-4612 ext. 27674 or 27676.

Celebration of Life Breast Cancer Awareness Powwow Oct. 17-18, 2014
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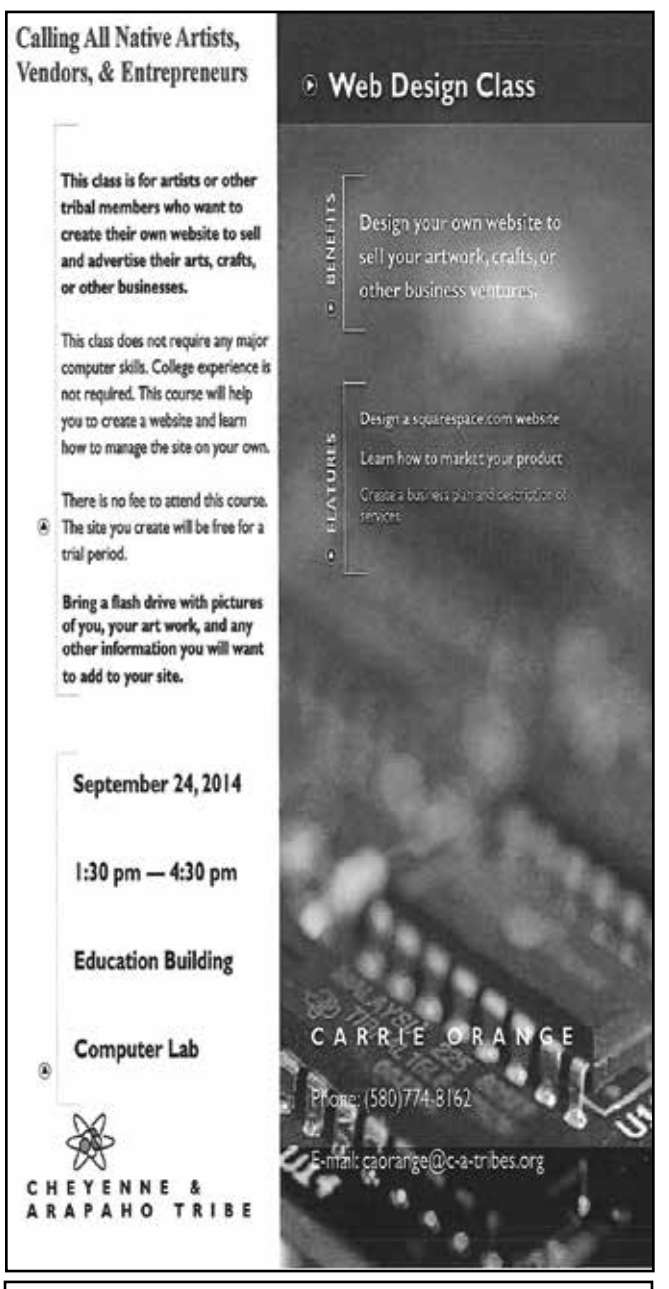

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F.K.P.
DOB: 05/10/10
By the Natural mother
To Change Name

Case No: CIV-2014-0030

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

TAKE NOTICE, that Krista Blackwolf, has filed in this Court a Petition For Name Change of minor child, as follows, to wit: from F.K.P. to F.K.B. and that the same will be heard by the Cheyenne-Arapaho Trial Court of Concho, Oklahoma in the Courthouse located at 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, P.O. Box 102, Concho, Oklahoma, 73022, on the 15th day of October, 2014 at 10:00 A.M., and any written protest may be filed in the case, prior to the date set for the hearing.

Issued this 27th day of August, 2014.

David Littlebear, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne-Arapaho District Court

Petitioner:
Krista Blackwolf
116 Folsom Dr.
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In The Matter Of The Application Of:
D.E.P.
DOB: 06/09/08
By the Natural mother
To Change Name

Case No: CIV-2014-0031

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

TAKE NOTICE, that Krista Blackwolf, has filed in this Court a Petition For Name Change of minor child, as follows, to wit: from D.E.P. to D.E.B. and that the same will be heard by the Cheyenne-Arapaho Trial Court of Concho, Oklahoma in the Courthouse located at 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, P.O. Box 102, Concho, Oklahoma, 73022, on the 15th day of October, 2014 at 10:00 A.M., and any written protest may be filed in the case, prior to the date set for the hearing.

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In The Matter Of The Application Of:
M.L.B.T
DOB: 3/28/2000
By and through his Mother
Carol Ann Tiger
To Change His Name

Case No. CIV-2014-82

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes to:

TAKE NOTICE, that Carol Ann Tiger has filed in this Court a Petition For Name Change of minor child, as follows, to wit: from M.L.B.T to M L T.., and that the same will be heard by the Cheyenne-Arapaho Trial Court of Concho, Oklahoma in the Courthouse located at 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, P.O. Box 102, Concho, Oklahoma, 73022, on the 24th day of SEPTEMBER, 2014 at 10:00 A.M., and any written protest may be filed in the case, prior to the date set for the hearing.

Issued this 2ND day of SEPTEMBER, 2014.

Rebekah Martin, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne-Arapaho District Court

JULY EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

Dept. of Administration
Dawn Little Elk
Crisis Admin. Assistant

"Dawn has shown a lot of growth in her new position as the administrative assistant for the Crisis Program. She has mastered the position and she has worked diligently getting all vendor accounts current. She has been receptive and co-operative in helping our new employees adjust to their new roles. She volunteers to fill in for co-workers who are out of the office and she is always in a positive mood. She is very dependable and most importantly, Dawn is a team player."

Pictured l-r: CAO, Chris Roman Nose, Dawn Little Elk, DOA Exec. Dir., Cecil Gray

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Dept. of Social Services
Brian Keith
Indian Child Welfare

"Brian Keith was chosen for the month of July. Brian is the child protection worker through Social Services. He is a dedicated worker that is more than willing to do his share and is known for his famous saying, 'I have time.' He works well with our families and is a mentor to many of our youth. We are honored to have Brian with our department and we greatly appreciate his dedication."

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Dept. of Health
Ula Lira
Substance Abuse Program

"Ula Lira, night attendant, Substance Abuse Program, was chosen for our July Employee of the Month. In her work hours Ula is dependable in maintaining a difficult assignment. She can be trusted to work with very little oversight. She has been steady for over ten years."

Dept. of Education
Micaela Prairie Chief
Language Dept.

"Micaela Prairie Chief is hard working and dedicated employee. She goes above and beyond the call of duty, whether it is making sure the little kids in the language classes are not bored by creating activities, cooking for classes, busting suds, or staying late. She has a very positive outlook on everything she encounters and is always two steps ahead. Micaela is a very talented young woman with so much potential and will be missed in the Language Program. We all wish her the best in her future endeavors."

Pictured l-r: DOE Exec. Dir. Funston Whiteman, Micaela Prairie Chief, Rebecca Risenhoover and CAO, Chris Roman Nose.

Dept. of Enrollment
Eric Sandoval
Cemetery Groundskeeper

"Eric is here early everyday and works very hard. He always finds a solution to every problem they encounter in the field. He is loyal, dependable, and the Burial Program is very lucky to have him as an employee."

Pictured l-r: CAO, Chris Roman Nose, Eric Sandoval and Enrollment Exec. Dir. Carrie Whitlow.

Dept. of Treasury
Pat Coachman
Staff Accountant

"Pat has been employed with the Finance department since August 2014, and is one our Staff Accounts. Pat is an excellent accountant, with many years of experience in accounting. She demonstrates a 'can do' attitude, with all her assignments and makes suggestions to improvement the programs she has been assigned. Pat is well like by her coworkers and brings credit to herself and the Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes."

Pictured l-r: CAO, Chris Roman Nose, Pat Coachman and Treasurer, Kay Mackety.

Dept. of Housing
Eileen Pedro
Receptionist

"The Employee of the Month for July 2014 is Eileen Pedro. Eileen has worked for the department since April 2012. She is a trusted employee who gladly assists tribal members with their housing needs when they call or visit the Housing office. She also assists in the coordination of various housing activities with her colleagues. Eileen is a trtusted team player in the success of the Housing Dept. We congratulate Eileen for this outstanding achievement."

Pictured l-r: CAO, Chris Roman Nose, Eileen Pedro and presenting award, Nancy Ross.

AUGUST EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

Dept. of Administration
Virginia Reyes
Procurement Technician

Virginia has served the tribes' primary procurement position with name changes from encumbrance clerk to procurement Clerk to procurement tech since March 2006. The responsibility of the position is to process Purchase Requisitions into Purchase Orders. Sounds simple but there are numerous steps that are required to get the process completed including routing the Requisition to three different departments/programs for required signatures.

Pictured l-r: CAO, Chris RomanNose, accepting the award on behalf of Virginia Reyes, Connie Yellowman and DOA Exec. Dir., Cecil Gray

Easton Yellowfish
Dept. of Treasury
Staff Accountant

Easton Yellowfish is the staff accountant in charge of the Per Capita Department and did an outstanding job planning and processing the August Gaming per cap checks. This is the first time he has been in charge of the Per Capita office and has brought credit to himself and the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes. We are very proud to have Easton in the Department of Treasury.

Pictured l-r: CAO, Chris RomanNose, Easton Yellowfish and Treasurer, Kay Mackety.

Dept. of Education
Francine Williams
JOM Program Director

Francine was nominated and awarded the employee of the month for August 2014, for her outstanding service and commitment in administering the BIA JOM program. Francine has been working for the tribes for 15 years, and attended Redlands Community College. Francine created the Back to School supplies, Backpack program, and Eye Glass program, extending services beyond the scope of the BIA/JOM program.

Francine Williams-"I enjoy going out to the communities meeting with families and serving their children with JOM educational services."

Pictured l-r: CAO, Chris RomanNose, Francine Williams and Education Exec. Dir., Funston Whiteman.

Dept. of Enrollment
Melissa Buffalomeat
Executive Assistant

"Melissa is a very reliable employee. She is always at work on time and will stay late or during lunch if it is needed. Melissa is always willing to do everything that is asked of her and completes all tasks in an exemplary manner. Ms. Buffalomeat is an asset to the Department of Enrollment."

Pictured l-r: CAO, Chris Roman Nose, Melissa Buffalomeat and Enrollment Exec. Dir., Carrie Whitlow.

Dept. of Health
Anna Old Bear
Diabetes Wellness

"Anna is the bomb.com. When she is needed, she never says no, no matter how busy she is. She goes above and beyond whatever we ask her to do. She never shows stress or gets angry in stressful situations. She is very laid back and puts up with the demands. However she is very respectful to us."

Pictured l-r: CAO, Chris Roman Nose, DOH Exec. Dir. Nicolas Barton, and accepting on the behalf of Anna Oldberar, Gloria Bellymule.

Dept. of Social Services
Toni Cartwright
Emergency Youth Shelter Coordinator

"Toni Cartwright is the Emergency Youth Shelter Coordinator. Toni has been in her position for 20 years, always dedicated, and continues to advocate for our tribal children's best interest. We are truly blessed to have her working with our children. Thank you, Toni for all that you do."

Pictured l-r: CAO, Chris Roman Nose, Toni Cartwright and presenting the award, Breanna Faris.

Dept. of Housing
Fred All Runner
Construction Serv. Coordinator

"Our August Employee of the Month is Fred All Runner, who has worked for the Dept. of Housing since May 2004. In March 2014, Fred accepted the challenge to lead all construction services for the department. He readily assists other services in troubleshooting housing problems. It is not uncommon for him to work after hours and weekends for tribal members. Fred is the kind of guy that is not afraid to get 'knee-deep' in whatever to get the job done. We congratulate Fred on this outstanding achievement."

Pictured l-r: CAO, Chris Roman Nose, Fred All Runner and presenting award, Nancy Ross.

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